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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. (Currently Amended) A method for treating a subject afflicted with atrial tachyarrhythmia comprising administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of an agent which inhibits protein kinase A (PKA) phosphorylation of a type 2 ryanodine receptor (RyR2) in the subject's heart, thereby treating the subject, wherein the agent is a derivative of 1,4-benzothiazepine.
- 2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein PKA phosphorylation of the RyR2 receptor causes dissociation of a FKBP12.6 binding protein from the RyR2 receptor.
- 3. The method of claim 1, wherein the atrial tachyarrhythmia is an atrial fibrillation or a supraventricular tachyarrhythmia.
- 4. (Currently Amended) A method for treating a subject afflicted with atrial tachyarrhythmia comprising administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of an agent which inhibits dissociation of a FKBP12.6 binding protein from a type 2 ryanodine (RyR2) receptor in the subject's heart, thereby treating the subject.
- 5. The method of claim 4, wherein the atrial tachyarrhythmia is an atrial fibrillation or a supraventricular tachyarrhythmia.
 - 6. The method of claim 4, wherein the agent is JTV-519.
- 7. (Withdrawn) A method for treating a subject afflicted with atrial tachyarrhythmia comprising administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of an agent which mimics binding of a FKBP12.6 binding protein to a type 2 ryanodine receptor (RyR2) of the subject's heart, thereby treating the subject.
- 8. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 7, wherein the atrial tachyarrhythmia is afibrillation or an atrial ventricular tachyarrhythmia.
- 9. (Withdrawn) An article of manufacture comprising (i) a packaging material having therein an agent which inhibits protein kinase A (PKA) phosphorylation of a type 2 ryanodine receptor (RyR2) and (ii) a label indicating a use for the agent in treating a subject

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afflicted with atrial tachyarrhythmia.

- 10. (Withdrawn) An article of manufacture comprising (i) a packaging material having therein an agent which inhibits dissociation of a FKBPI2.6 binding protein from a type 2 ryanodine receptor (RyR2) and (ii) a label indicating a use for the agent in treating a subject afflicted with atrial tachyarrhythmia.
- 11. (Withdrawn) The article of manufacture of claim 10, wherein the agent is JTV-519.
- 12. (Withdrawn) An article of manufacture comprising (i) a packaging material having therein an agent which mimics binding of a FKBPI2. 6 binding protein to a type 2 ryanodine receptor (RyR2) and (ii) a label indicating a use for the agent in treating a subject afflicted with atrial tachyarrhythmia.
- 13. (Currently Amended) A method for inhibiting the onset of atrial tachyarrhythmia in a subject comprising administering to the subject a prophylactically effective amount of an agent which inhibits protein kinase A (PKA) phosphorylation of a type 2 ryanodine receptor (RyR2) in the subject's heart, thereby inhibiting the onset of an atrial tachyarrhythmia in the subject, wherein the agent is a derivative of 1,4-benzothiazepine.
- 14. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein PKA phosphorylation of the RyR2 receptor causes dissociation of a FKBP12.6 binding protein from the RyR2 receptor.
- 15. The method of claim 13, wherein the atrial tachyarrhythmia is an atrial fibrillation or a supraventricular tachyarrhythmia.
- 16. (Currently Amended) A method for inhibiting the onset of atrial tachyarrhythmia in a subject comprising administering to the subject a prophylactically effective amount of an agent which inhibits dissociation of a FKBP12.6 binding protein from a type 2 ryanodine (RyR2) receptor in the subject's heart, thereby inhibiting the onset of atrial tachyarrhythmia in the subject.
 - 17. The method of claim 16, wherein the atrial tachyarrhythmia is an atrial

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fibrillation or a supraventricular tachyarrhythmia.

- 18. The method of claim 16, wherein the agent is JTV-519.
- 19. (Withdrawn) A method for inhibiting the onset of atrial tachyarrhythmia in a subject comprising administering to the subject a prophylactically effective amount of an agent which mimics binding of a FKBP12. 6 binding protein to a type 2 ryanodine receptor (RyR2) of the subject's heart, thereby inhibiting the onset of atrial tachyarrhythmia in the subject.
- 20. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19, wherein the atrial tachyarrhythmia is an atrial fibrillation or a supraventricular tachyarrhythmia.
- 21. (Withdrawn) An article of manufacture comprising (i) a packaging material having therein an agent which inhibits protein kinase A (PKA) phosphorylation of a type 2 ryanodine receptor (RyR2) and (ii) a label indicating a use for the agent in inhibiting the onset of atrial tachyarrhythmia in a subject.
- 22. (Withdrawn) An article of manufacture comprising (i) a packaging material having therein an agent which inhibits dissociation of a FKBP12. 6 binding protein from a type 2 ryanodine receptor (RyR2) and (ii) a label indicating a use for the agent in inhibiting the onset of atrial tachyarrhythmia in a subject.
- 23. (Withdrawn) The article of manufacture of claim 22, wherein the agent is JTV-519.
- 24. (Withdrawn) An article of manufacture comprising (i) a packaging material having therein an agent which mimics binding of a FKBP12. 6 binding protein to a type 2 ryanodine receptor (RyR2) and (ii) a label indicating a use for the agent in inhibiting the onset of atrial tachyarrhythmia in a subject.